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Title: System and Method for Authenticating an Operating System to a Central  
Processing Unit, Providing the CPU/OS With Secure Storage, and  
Authenticating the CPU/OS to a Third Party

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED FEBRUARY 9, 2005**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action of February 9, 2005, in connection with the above-identified application, the following remarks are submitted. Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

A detailed listing of the claims is provided below. A status identifier is provided for each claim in a parenthetical expression following each claim number.